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Serial No. 10/009,879

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For: **CHUCK DEVICE**

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

October 23, 2003

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Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed June 23, 2003 in the above-identified patent application. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.